

Additional Info

- Any person, company or organization that purchases or controls a pesticide is legally responsible for proper use, handling, storage, and disposal. Pesticide labels tell you how to properly discard the product. It is always illegal to bury or burn pesticides or their containers. It is also illegal to discard a pesticide or its container in a manner inconsistent with the instructions found on the label.
- If you have questions about the use, registration or condition of a pesticide, contact us at (406) 444-5400. It is helpful to have the product name, manufacturer, and EPA registration number found on the product's label.
- We do accept pesticides with a missing label or unknown pesticides. Large volumes of an unknown pesticide may require analysis before acceptance. You should be reasonably sure that the unknown material is a pesticide. Any information you can provide about the material is helpful.
- The program will only collect and dispose of unusable pesticides and their containers. We cannot accept fertilizers, waste oil, paints, or other non-pesticide materials.

For more information, contact the Montana Department of Agriculture:

Kalispell, MT (406) 257-9015

Missoula, MT (406) 329-1346

Bozeman, MT (406) 587-9067

Great Falls, MT (406) 761-0655

Glasgow, MT (406) 228-9510

Billings, MT (406) 652-1917



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2017 Waste Pesticide Disposal Program



Sept. 19 - Kalispell

Sept. 20 - Missoula

Sept. 21 - Helena

Sept. 22 - Dillon

What are waste pesticides?

Any pesticide (herbicide, insecticide, fungicide, etc.) that is unwanted or unusable as originally intended is waste. Pesticides become unusable when they have been improperly stored, become contaminated, if their uses and registration have been cancelled, or if the labels were lost or have become unreadable. The program also accepts empty metal pesticide containers as waste.

How do I participate?

- ⇒ Complete a Montana Department of Agriculture Pesticide Disposal registration form. The registration deadline is **September 11, 2017**.
- ⇒ Registration Form: <http://agr.mt.gov/agr/Programs/Pesticides/Environmental/Disposal/Forms/DisposalRegistrationForm.pdf>
- ⇒ Once pre-registered, you will be notified of the exact location and date of the collection.
- ⇒ The actual drop-off takes less than 15 minutes.



Why should I bring in my waste pesticide containers?

Proper disposal of unusable pesticides protects human health, property value, and the environment.

The longer a pesticide is held in storage, the greater the risk of accidental environmental damage. Older pesticides are more prone to leaks, and all storage facilities are subject to risks from fire, floods, and storms. Leaking or damaged containers can potentially expose children, livestock, or pets. Contamination of soil or water, especially groundwater, reduces the value of your property and is very costly to clean up. Our program is free for most users, and offers a safe and environmentally responsible way to dispose of these materials.

How much will this cost me?

Cost is based on the weight of the waste pesticide and its container. Fees that are collected help pay for the program.

- The first 200 lbs. are **FREE**
- \$0.50 per pound for amounts over 200 lbs.

The Department may charge a higher fee to accept pesticides in pressurized cylinders or that contain dioxin or heavy metals.

Cost Example

$$\begin{aligned} 50 \text{ gals.} \times 10 \text{ lbs./gal.} &= 500 \text{ lbs} \\ 500 \text{ lbs.} - 200 \text{ lbs. (free)} &= 300 \text{ lbs.} \\ 300 \text{ lbs.} \times \$0.50 \text{ lb.} &= \$150.00 \end{aligned}$$

When and Where are the collection sites?

The Waste Pesticide Disposal Program is held annually in September. Four or five collection sites will be chosen, alternating in each of Montana's three waste pesticide disposal districts. Publicity will precede collections in each district.



Western Montana-September 2017

Central Montana-September 2018

Eastern Montana-September 2019

Will there be any penalties?

NO! The disposal program is a non-regulatory service program that offers pesticide users the opportunity to dispose of unwanted and unusable pesticides in a safe and environmentally friendly way.

Remember to Pre-Register!